



Application for:
HONEY BEEKEEPING PERMIT
 (As per Municipal Code §99-23)

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Date	
Applicant Name	
Mailing Address	
Phone	Email
Property Owner Signature (if different than applicant)	
Site Address <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-between; font-size: small;"> (number) (street) (other information) </div>	
Number and location of hives on the property	

The following are to be included with the application:

- Detailed sketch plan of the lot on which the colony will be located, including the lot dimensions, proposed location of colony hives, an accurate scaled dimensional drawing of the proposed location to each of the lot's property lines and recreational areas on all adjacent lots
- Location of water source
- If required, the location and height of all flyway barriers
- Application fee (nonrefundable) of **\$40.00** payable to the City of Hudson
- Proof of attendance at an educational beekeeping workshop, or proof of prior beekeeping experience (instructor/mentor signature or certificate would suffice)
- Certificate of Compliance application (if bees will be on a commercially zoned property)
- Neighbor Notification Form

I hereby acknowledge that this information is complete and accurate; that the work will be in conformance with the ordinances and codes of the City of Hudson; that I understand this is not a permit, but only an application for a permit. I acknowledge that structures will be constructed in accordance with the approved plans. This permit will be valid for 12 months from the date of issuance. Permit holder will be responsible for obtaining a renewal beekeeping permit before either the expiry date of this permit or April 1st of the following year, whichever comes first.

NOTE: If application is being filed after April 1st, the permit will go into effect the following year.

Applicant's Printed Name

Applicant's Signature

OFFICE USE ONLY

Approved / Denied by: _____ Date _____

Application #	Receipt #	Date of Issuance	Expiration Date
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What are the requirements for honeybee keeping in the City of Hudson?

The following is a checklist of requirements from Chapter 99-23 of the City of Hudson's municipal code. Please read through and abide by all the requirements below to make sure your proposed beekeeping permit will be approved.

What is required of all beekeepers?

□ Zoning

Property **MUST** be zoned either as **R1 – One-family Residential** or **B2 – General Business**

□ Lot Size

- One-half (1/2) acre or smaller lot allows for up to **two (2) colonies** on the property
- Between one-half (1/2) acre and one acre (1) allows for up to **four (4) colonies** on the property
- One (1) acre or larger lots allow up to **four (4) colonies or more**, depending on lot size and use

□ Setbacks / Hive Location

- Property boundaries
 - **Twenty (20) feet** from all property lines*
 - Hives may **ONLY** be located in **backyards**. However, side yards are acceptable if there is no adequate space available to do beekeeping in the backyard
- Recreational areas (pools, decks, jungle gyms, etc.)
 - **Thirty (30) feet** from all neighboring properties' recreational areas*
- All hives must be located near each other to form a single apiary
- No hives may be located on rooftops

□ Water Source

A continuous water source needs to be provided immediately within the apiary to prevent bees from seeking out water sources at other nearby properties.

□ Neighbor(s) Written Consent

The City of Hudson is requiring beekeepers to collect signatures from all adjoining and/or diagonally abutting property owners as well as those across an alley. If any objections arise on the consent form, the permit application will be sent to the Plan Commission and Common Council for consideration.

Special Requirements?

In particular circumstances, additional requirements may be necessary.

□ Flyway Barrier

- **ONLY** required if hives are located **within twenty (20) feet** of a property line
- **MUST** be at least **six (6) feet** in height
- Can be a closed fence, evergreen hedge, building, or other solid structure

□ Certificate of Compliance

If your property is commercially zoned (B2 – General Business), a Certificate of Compliance application is also required in addition to the beekeeping permit. Please see §255-77 for details.

*Requirement may be negated with written permission from neighbors.



NEIGHBOR NOTIFICATION FORM (BEEKEEPING PERMIT)

In accordance with the City of Hudson Municipal Code Chapter 99-23, I acknowledge that I have been notified of my neighbor's intent to have bee hive(s) at their home.

Beekeeping Applicant: _____

Address for Potential Bee Hives: _____

Date Information Provided: _____

Name: _____ Date: _____

Address: _____ Phone: _____

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Approve - Allow beekeeper to place hives less than 20 ft from my property.

Object - Reason?: _____

Household has resident with honeybee allergy (**must provide medical documentation**)

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(if more signatures are required, please print multiple pages)